

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

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MONOPOLY OF MNCS IN FPI
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Multi-National Companies (MNCs) are monopolising the Food Processing Industries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to protect the domestic industries;
- (c) the steps taken to provide training to people in food processing industries so as to compete with the MNCs; and
- (d) the scheme under which Government provides assistance to the Non-Governmental Organisations for promoting domestic industries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): Under the plan schemes operated by Ministry of Food Processing Industries training is imparted for development of rural entrepreneurship by providing hands on experience at the Food Processing & Training Centres. Training is also imparted to persons engaged in traditional meat processing activity & fish processing units for upgrading their skill.

(d): Financial assistance under the plan schemes of the Ministry is also available to Non-Governmental Organisations among others for promoting domestic industries.